THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI A. NARENDRA): (a) 34 out of 35 districts of Maharashtra have computerized the basic land records (RoR).

(b) Since inception of the scheme of Computerization of Land Records, Government of India has sanctioned Rs. 40.78 crore (till 30.11.2005) to the State Government of Maharashtra, out of which the State Government has utilized Rs.28.51 crore.

(c) and (d) The progress of the Scheme of Computerisation of Land Records in Maharashtra is satisfactory. Due to concerted efforts by the Government of India and intensive monitoring at the level of State Government, the implementation of the scheme of computerization has been speeded up. The progress of the scheme is being reviewed from time to time at various fora by organizing meetings and Conferences with State Revenue Secretaries and Revenue Ministers.

Funds of Rural Sanitation Programme in Orissa

†3172. SHRI SURENDRA LATH: Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the funds released by Government as Central grant to the State Government during the year 2004-05 and 2005-06 under the Rural Sanitation Programme to improve the living standard of the rural people of Orissa;

(b) whether Government would consider to release additional Central grant to Orissa Government to achieve the target; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI A. NARENDRA): (a) Union Government has released Rs. 45.82 crore in 2004-05 and Rs. 18.21 crore in 2005-06 (till date) as Central grant under the Total Sanitation Campaign (TSC) programme to improve the sanitation situation of the rural people of Orissa.

(b) and (c) Total Sanitation Campaign (TSC) projects have been sanctioned in all districts of Orissa with a view to achieve cent percent sanitation coverage. TSC is not an allocation-based programme. Based

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on utilization of the funds already released and the proposal submitted by the project-implementing agency, next installment of fund is released by Union Government as per guidelines of the programme.

Providing drinking water through tube wells in Orissa

†3173. SHRI SURENDRA LATH: Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the efforts made by Government to provide drinking water in Western Orissa;

(b) whether Government have any plans to provide drinking water in Orissa through tube wells; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI A. NARENDRA): (a) Drinking water is a State subject and accordingly State Governments have the primary role in providing drinking water facilities in rural habitations. Government of India, however, supplements the efforts of State Government in this direction by rendering financial assistance under a centrally sponsored scheme, namely Accelerated Rural Water Supply Programme (ARWSP). During the year 2005-06, Rs. 14212.40 lakh has been allocated to Government of Orissa under various components of ARWSP.

(b) and (c) State Government are empowered to plan, sanction, implement and execute rural drinking water supply projects from the funds provided under ARWSP. The details of projects taken up are not maintained at the Central level.

Distribution of loans under SGSY scheme

3174. SHRI R.K. ANAND: Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there is a serious shortfall in achievements of the targets fixed for distribution of loans under Swamjayanti Gram Swarojgar Yojana (SGSY) and the measures taken to achieve the objective of bringing BPL persons above the poverty line;

(b) the details of the targets fixed for credit mobilization and actual achievements made during the last three years; and

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